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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIS, UK, NL

SUBJECT: MERCURY CONTENT IN CANNED TUNA

REF: A) LONDON 1896; B) LONDON 2596

1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE HAS REVIEWED MATTER IN REFTELS WITH NMFS QUALITY CONTROL SPECIALISTS AND CONTACTED MR. ESVELDT. REGULATIONS ON PERMISSIBLE MERCURY CONTENT OF CANNED TUNA PRODUCTS ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (HEW). ESVELDT GOT IN TOUCH WITH FDA COMPLIANCE OFFICIALS IN LOS ANGELES MORE THAN A WEEK AGO AND HAS FILED APPROPRIATE FORMS. FDA WASHINGTON IS PRESENTLY CHECKING ON STATUS OF ESVELDT'S REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO SHIP CONSIGNMENT TO THE NETHERLANDS.

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2. PROBLEM ARISES FROM FACT THAT TUNA WAS SENT TO CANADA, WHERE IT WAS REFUSED, BEFORE COMING BACK TO UNITED STATES. TECHNICALLY, THE CONSIGNMENT IS CONSIDERED AN "IMPORT" AND HAS BEEN DETAINED. VANCE

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Message Attributes

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